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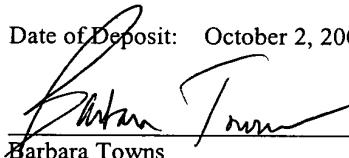
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on May 7, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-6 – Previously deleted.

Claims 7-10 – Withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 11-12 – Previously deleted.

Claim 13 – Withdrawn from consideration.

Claim 14 – 34 - Previously deleted.

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